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APD and Crime Commission to host Guns4Groceries Food for Life-gun buyback program

The Austin Police Department and the Greater Austin Crime Commission are partnering in Guns4Groceries, the first "no questions asked" gun buyback program in Central Texas on Saturday, June 5, 2010. The event will take place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Austin Cornerstone Church, 1101 Reinli Street.

This program will allow participants to receive cash for unwanted guns and rifles.

- \$10.00 – air gun, BB gun or replica
- \$100.00 – handguns and rifles
- \$200.00 – assault rifles

The steps for surrendering guns and rifles are simple:

- Unload the gun.
- Put the gun and ammunition in separate paper bags.
- Bring the gun and ammunition to Austin Cornerstone Church between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- Upon arrival, let an officer know you are there to turn in a gun.
- Do not remove the gun from the bag unless asked to do so.

Other cities such as Chicago, Los Angeles, Oakland and Philadelphia have been successful in removing thousands of guns from the streets.

Update

- Guns from dealers will not be accepted.
- Each person will receive compensation for a maximum of two (2) guns; there is no limit to the number of guns that can be turned in.

Media advisory: A representative will be available for interview at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2010. The guns turned in up to that time will be on display for photographing.

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